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COUNTRY Germany (Soviet Zone)

TOPIC Military Information from the Schweinrich Troop Training Grounds

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REMARKS

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1. Between 9 and 28 June 1951, about 10,000 Soviet troops were said to be at the Schweinrich (N 54/U 22) troop training grounds. (1) They were quartered in hutments and tents. Troops held firing practice almost daily, in the area of Neulutterow, using as many as six artillery pieces, and firing south toward the troop training grounds. (2) Six rocket launchers were observed east of Zootzen, firing eastwards. They stood in an open terrain behind a small ridge of hills and were spaced 5 meters apart. About 100 soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets were seen with the rocket launchers.
2. The cooperative slaughterhouse at Wittstock supplied about 1,000 kg of meat daily for the troops at Schweinrich. An envelope seen in the northwest corner of the training grounds where the tanks practiced, bore AIN 71459. (3)
3. A quartermaster clothing warehouse was established in the confiscated villa of Grunne, a lumber dealer, on Roebelerstrasse. German women were employed here to mend clothes.
4. Motor vehicles seen in the training area

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Comments.

- (1) The number of troops is nearly equal to a mechanized division.
- (2) Compare with a report of 13 June 1951
- (3) AIN 71459 belongs to an unidentified air force unit at Wittstock airfield.
- (4) All motor vehicles belong to the 13th Weez Div.

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